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C O N F I D E N T I A L PHNOM PENH 6522

FOR STATE/ AID

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EGEN, EAID, CB

SUBJ: RICE CRISIS - DAILY UPDATE

REF: PHNOM PENH 6473

1. THE FOLLOWING IS A PROJECTION OF THE RICE SITUATION IN PHNOM
PENH COVERING THE PERIOD FROM JUN 27 THROUGH JULY 7.

6/27 6/28 6/29 6/30 7/1 7/2

BEGINNING STOCKS 7682 7137 6478.8 7028.8 9478.8 8928.8

ROUTE 4 - - 1100 - - 1100

MEKONG RIVER - - - 3000 - -

TOTAL AVAILABLE 7682 7137 7578.8 10028.8 9478.8 10028.8

LESS DISTRIBUTION 545 658.2 550 550 550 550

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BALANCE 7137 6478.8 7028.8 9478.8 8928.8 9478.8

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 BEGINNING STOCKS 9478.8 8928.8 8378.8 7828.8 7328.8

ROUTE 4 - - - - -
 MEKONG RIVER - - - - -
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- 1) IN THE EVENT ROUTE 4 IS CLOSED: 5728.8 MT AT 550 MT-10.41 DAYS
- 2) IN THE EVENT THE MEKONG IS CLOSED: 3828.8 MT AT 550 MT-6.96 DAYS
- 3) IN THE EVENT BOTH ROUTE 4 AND THE MEKONG ARE CLOSED: 2728.8 MT AT 550 MT - 4.96 DAYS
- 4) IN THE EVENT BOTH ROUTE 4 AND THE MEKONG ARE CLOSED WITH DISTRIBUTION AT 700 MT/ DAY: 1078 AT 700 - 1.54 DAYS

ROUTE 5 - ROUTE 5 REMAINS CLOSD ALTHOUGH GKR HAS LAUNCHED CLEARING OPERATIONS. DAO BELIEVESTHE ENEMY TO BE WELL ENTRENCHED ALONG ROUTE 5 AND THAT FANK WILL BE UNABLE TO OPEN THE ROAD WITHIN THE NEXT THREE OR FOUR DAYS.

ROUTE 4 - ROUTE 4 REMAINS OPEN TO CONVOY TRAFFIC. THE ROAD CONVOY FROM KOMPONG SOM ARRIVED IN PHNOM PENH TODAY; HOWEVER, WE HAVE NOT YET DETERMINED THE AMOUNT OF RICE TRANSPORTED. AS OF JUNE 29 THERE IS ESTIMATED TO BE APPROXIMATELY 3650 MT OF RICE REMAINING IN KOMPONG SOM. THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE APPROXIMATELY 1650 MT THAT IS BEING LOADED ON A BARGE IN KOMPONG SOM. AFTER THE NEXT ROUTE 4 CONVOY WHICH IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE PHNOM PENH JULY 2, AND CONSIDERING THE MARITIME PROVINCE REQUIREMENTS THERE WILL BE ONLY 2300 MT REMAINING. WE PLAN TO LEAVE THIS AMOUNT IN KOMPONG SOM TO SERVE THE MARITIME PROVINCES AND SVAY RIENG. THE LAST VESSEL CARRYING 5500 MT OF PL 480 RICE IS NOW EXPECTED TO ARRIVE KOMPONG SOM JULY 14.

MEKONG - THE SPECIAL CONVOY SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE IN PHNOM PENH JUNE 30 IS PROCEEDING AS EXPECTED. PRESENTLY, WE ARE WORKING OUT THE DETAILS WITH SAIGON, BUT IT APPEARS THAT A SPECIAL CONVOY
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TO CARRY 5000 MT MAY BE SCHEDULED TO DEPART TAN CHAU FOR PHNOM PENH JULY 3. BECAUSE OF THE UNCERTAINTY, WE HAVE NOT INCLUDED THIS AMOUNT IN OUR PORJECTIONS.

DISTRIBUTION - IN VIEW OF THE HIGHT RATE OF DISTRIBUTION, WE DISCUSSED THE MATTER OF DISTRIBUTION WITH THE MINISTER OF PLANING

THIS
MORNING. WE URGED HIM TO DISCUSS THIS MATTER IN THE COUNCIL OF
MINISTERS MEETING TODAY AND TO RECOMMEND FORCEFUL MEASURES BE
TAKEN TO BRING DISTRIBUTION INTO LINE.
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